### TRANSMITTAL LETTER Docket No. (General - Patent Issued) 07250026AA Patentee(s): Yamamoto et al. U.S. Patent No. Issue Date 7,118,200 B2 October 10, 2006 Title: INKJET PRINTER HEAD **COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:** Transmitted herewith is: 1. Request to Issue a Certificate of Correction. 2. Certificate of Correction in duplicate. 3. A copy of the list the originally filed claims. No additional fee is required. A check in the amount of is attached. The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account 50-2041 as described below. Charge the amount of Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional fee required. ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. Dated: December 5, 2006 Olga V. Merkoulova Reg. No. 48,757 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being Whitham, Curtis, Christofferson & Cook, P.C. deposited with the United States Postal Service with 11491 Sunset Hills Road, Suite 340 sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope Reston, VA 20190 addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Phone: 703-787-9400 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.8(a)] on FAX: 703-787-7557 (Date) Customer No.: 30743 Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence CC:

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In re patent of Yamamoto et al.

Patent No. 7,118,200 B2

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For: INKJET PRINTER HEAD

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REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

Sir:

Applicant hereby respectfully requests the issuance of a Certificate of Correction for the above-identified patent. The Certificate of Correction is being requested to correct an error in the Claim 3. Please note, that the claims in this application have not been amended during the prosecution. A list of claims as filed is attached to this paper and shows that there are several typographical errors in claim 3 of the printed patent. Specifically, on line 2 instead of alloy "Ta-Si-O" never mentioned combination of "Ta-Si-C" is presented. Further, on line 3 "a Cr-Si-O ternary alloy" has been omitted before "or".

In order to support this request, a copy of a listing of claims as was originally filed is included with this paper.

Applicant submits that this correction is necessary in order to properly present claimed subject matter of this patent. Applicant believes that no fees are due, but if any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Attorney Deposit Account 50-2041 (Whitham, Curtis, Christofferson and Cook, P.C.).

Respectfully submitted,

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#### WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

### An inkjet printer head comprising:

heating elements, each having a heating resistor which is energized by application of an electric current so that a part of ink which is located in proximity to the heating resistor is boiled to form a bubble; and

ejection nozzles, each being provided for each of said heating elements, wherein expansion of the formed bubble causes the ink to be ejected as a droplet through each of said ejection nozzles,

wherein each of said heating elements has no protective film disposed between said heating resistor and the ink in which the bubble is to be formed, and a thickness of said heating resistor is in a range of from 2  $\mu$ m to 5  $\mu$ m.

- 2. The inkjet printer head according to claim 1, wherein a ratio of volume resistivity of said heating resistor to said thickness is in a range of from 100  $\Omega$  to 4 x 10<sup>4</sup>  $\Omega$ .
- 3. The inkjet printer head according to claim 1, wherein said heating resistor is composed of a Ta-Si-O ternary alloy, a Cr-Si-O ternary alloy or an alloy material made of Ta, Cr, Si and O.

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